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LETTER

Box Missing Parts
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts which was mailed

February 27, 2002, copy enclosed.

The notice indicated that the inventor's Declaration was missing. In response, please find enclosed a fully executed inventor's Declaration. The above-identified application, on information and belief, is the application which the inventors executed by signing the declaration which sets forth the names of the inventors and the title of the invention.

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The notice also indicated that the statutory basic filing fee was missing.
In response, please find enclosed a check for the basic filing fee.

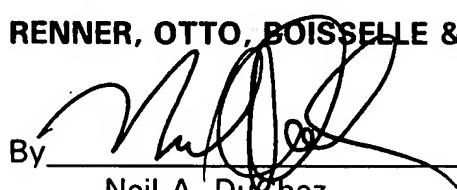
Also enclosed is an Assignment along with an Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet for the above-identified application. Applicants respectfully request recordation of the Assignment.

A check in the amount of \$910.00 is enclosed to cover the required fees for the basic filing fee (\$740.00), for the late filing of the declaration (\$130.00) and recordal of the assignment (\$40.00).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 18-0988: 37 CFR 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees); 37 CFR 1.16(b), (c) and (d) (presentation of extra claims); 37 CFR 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application); and 37 CFR 1.17 (application processing fees).

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 870.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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